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Report Highlights:

On December 13, 2003, the European Council decided on Parma, Italy as the European Food Safety Authority's permanent location.

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On December 13, 2003, the European Council decided on Parma, Italy as the European Food Safety Authority's permanent location. Since its creation in 2002, EFSA staff have been temporarily located in Brussels as EU member states could not come to a decision on its permanent seat. Spain, Finland and Italy all made strong cases for having EFSA located in their countries. Timing for the move to Parma has not yet been announced. For more information about EFSA, see GAIN report 23231.

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